

## **Binkley Boosters Board Meeting**

**Call to Order** 6:05pm

### **Roll Call**

Denise  
Daniela  
Olivia  
Alison  
Ally  
Amy M.  
Gigi  
Amy Z.  
Kelly L.

**Principal's Update:** Her position has been posted for several weeks and they (the district) are in the process of doing interviews. Candidates will still need to do another round of interviews before final decision is made. Kelly doesn't yet know her last day but she will let us know when she does. From the hire date (9/11/18), the transition period will be days or weeks.

**School News:** Music is going really well – 4<sup>th</sup> graders all got their instruments today which was really cool! Math intervention program is starting much earlier this year which is exciting. The Omega Man/HERO presentation was fun and a success with the students. Denise spoke at Back to School Night and hopefully we will get some new and interested parents to join this year. The Bulletin Board has been refreshed with information, our calendar – suggestions for things to post are welcome. Perhaps we could create a Special Project proposal to the district for a standing Bulletin Board that we could move around campus – would be much more visible than our current board. The new gates still do not lock but the company has been out recently to try and figure out a solution to get that project finished. As a reminder, the Art Docent program is going to be based out of our campus this year (was Sequoia previously).

**Town Hall Meeting:** Agenda for the night – Read the vision statement, Gigi and Amy can talk about the events, Alison can talk about the RAT, we can talk about Multicultural night, Daniela can talk about See's fundraiser and methods of passive giving, make sure to reinforce with parents where parents can find information about all events (bulletin board, website, emails, flyers, etc.), and then talk about and vote to approve our budget. As part of our budget approval, we will make sure to discuss the 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp fund (that was previously held in a savings account and transferred to our general account last year) and get approval to start using those funds to help students who can't afford to go to camp. This year, the 4<sup>th</sup> graders are going on a new field trip that is going to cost each student \$200 – we discussed the possibility of creating a fundraiser or some other way of helping raise money for those students. More discussion is needed as this likely depends on what 4<sup>th</sup> grade families are willing/able to participate in. Should we try to solicit for a new Volunteer Coordinator? Denise has been identifying parents (from the forms sent in at the beginning of the year) who have said they are willing to volunteer 2-4 hours per month to see if they would be a good fit for this position or would like to work on a committee with

Boosters. We will also send out an open invitation to all Binkley Families to participate in Multicultural Night, and hold an open floor for parents to talk about questions/concerns/ideas/etc. Ice breaker?

**Welcome Back Party:** We discussed the placement of the movie screen, food trucks, and potential lighted path to primary bathrooms. We are still trying to find a donation of construction lights or other tall lights to help light up the field (at the end) so families can safely exit after the movie ends and we can quickly clean any debris that might get left behind. For food, Got Balls, Mexican, and Wing trucks are booked for sure. The taco truck has great prices on family-style meals. For dessert, Gigi thinks that there are enough parents who have offered to bake goods for a bake sale to make it worth doing a sale instead of having a dessert truck. We will also sell bottled water, and glow necklaces or bracelets at the bake sale table. Spirit Wear table with flash sale of “vintage” styles. Do we need to book volunteers for the jumpy house? Will need 8 volunteers for the jumpy house. We need to order 3 bags of popcorn as well from Summerfield Theater, plus at least 400 small (individual) bags. Clementine will bring another face painter and will be there from 6-8pm.

**Read-A-Thon:** Alison handed out information explaining the difference between the two rewards tiers – Reward Store and Instant Rewards. Last year, we used the Reward Store model and the students seemed to enjoy that, but this year RAT has introduced the Instant Rewards tier which would allow us to incentivize not just money raised but also minutes read. The other big difference between these two tiers is that with the Instant Rewards, prizes would need to be dispersed every day, so either a Booster or some other volunteer would need to be available at the school every day to hand out prizes to the kids who reached their goals for each day. Boosters agreed that Reward Store works better for our needs and planned to find a way to reward students who put in time reading as well as those who raised big \$ this year. Packets with all information, bracelets, etc. should arrive to the school the Thursday before our start date in order for information to be dispersed to students.

**2018-19 Budget:** Denise briefly explained the cash handling procedures to the new Boosters. Cash box always starts with \$200. Square only works with iPad or iPhone – anyone who doesn't have the app should download it and spend some time getting used to it before they have to use it at an event. Only Boosters Board members can handle money. Two Boosters must be present whenever cash is counted. Denise made a motion to approve spending up to \$1500 on a new order of Spirit Wear to have available at the Welcome Back Party. Daniela seconded, all in favor. Then, Daniela presented projected budget for 2018-19 which we will need to vote on at the Town Hall. We talked about all Line Items, all of which are based on the numbers (costs and profits) from last year. Welcome Back Party is a big line item this year because it contains two years' worth of cost (cost for this year and next years' party). Something we discussed is requiring committee approval before spending money for events so that we can keep track of spending and stay in budget – all in agreement.

**Adjourn 8:18 pm**